28th, St. Dizier:

On the 27th I advanced against St. Dizier, which the enemy occupied, and drove them out. We captured a few guns and made a few prisoners. I discovered that Bllicher had marched on Brienne with 25,000 men; he will reach there to-day. I have cut his line of operations and am marching to attack him in the rear. If he holds his position, we may possibly have an action at Brienne to-morrow.

29th, Montierender:

There is a decided thaw; we can manage to get through to-day.

31st, Brienne:

We had a lively engagement on the 29th at Brienne. I attacked the whole army of Marshal Blticher and of General Sacken just at the end of a forced march. I fortunately got possession of the castle which dominates (the town) at the beginning of the action. As firing only began one hour before dark, we fought through the night. Blilcher was defeated; we captured 500 or 600 prisoners, killed or wounded 3000 or 4000; and drove the enemy on Bar-sur-Aube. I pursued them for two leagues in that direction yesterday, firing salvos from forty guns. In our present circumstances, and with such troops as I have to handle, I count myself lucky that things have turned out as well as they have.

We have taken up a position two leagues in front of Brienne. Our prestige has gone up with the Allies since this engagement. They thought we had no army left.

February 1st. *Battle of La Roththtre. Heir eat on Paris.*

2d, Piney:

The enemy's soldiers are behaving horribly everywhere.